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SUBJECT: COSTA RICAN CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS

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1. LATEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO US INDICATES THAT ANY IMMINENT THREAT OF EXTRACONSTITUTIONAL ACTION BY FIGUERES APPEARS TO HAVE ABATED. LUIS ALBERTO MONGE, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE GOVERNMENT PARTY, TOLD THE AMBASSADOR ON MAY 28 THAT FIGUERES CONTINUES TO BE CONVINCED THAT PROFOUND CHANGES ARE NEEDED THROUGHOUT THE GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE BUT IF ODUBER IS UNWILLING TO COOPERATE IN UNDERTAKING THEM HE, FIGUERES, WOULD WAIT UNTIL MONGE IS ELECTED IN 1978 AND "WE MIGHT THEN DO IT TOGETHER." MONGE ALSO OBSERVED THAT ODUBER HAD EXAGGERATED THE THREAT THAT HE PERCEIVED FIGUERES PRESENTED TO HIS GOVERNMENT. MONGE ADDED THAT GONZALO FACIO WAS PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR CREATING IN ODUBER'S MIND THE PICTURE OF AN IMMINENT GOLPE BY FIGUERES.

2. I WILL, OF COURSE, WANT TO REVIEW THIS TOPIC DURING MY CONSULTATION NEXT WEEK, BUT IN THE MEANTIME I RECOMMEND THAT PLANS TO SEND A RESPECTED FRIEND LIKE SENATOR HUMPHREY DOWN TO TALK TO FIGUERES AND ODUBER BE HELD IN ABEYANCE.
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